NOTICES OF ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS.

PRESIDENT: I have received a certain number of notices of motions for the adjournment of the House. There is no rule specifically laying down the order in which I have to ascertain the desire of the House in regard to these motions. I have therefore taken the liberty of choosing the motion which in the nature of things is of the most urgent character. There are two notices of motions more or less on the same matter. One of the motions of Mr. Kuriakose relates to—

> "the serious situation created by the recent terrorising misdeeds, such as indiscriminate lathi charges on innocent people, extortion of money, assaulting women and children etc., of a batch of reserve police stationed at Ramangalam in Muvattupuzha taluk, which has caused grave apprehensions among the innocent, peaceful and law-abiding inhabitants of Ramangalam and the surrounding places".

The other relates to.—

> "the serious unrest caused recently at the western frontier of the State, especially in the Piravom Excise Range, as a result of recent struggles between the Excise staff and the smugglers owing to the want of proper and inadequate preventive measures in the frontier."

These two relate to the same matter and I wish to ascertain the desire of the House as to whether the honourable member has the leave of the House to make the motion.

Leave was granted.

PRESIDENT. The motion will be taken up for discussion at 3·30 P. M. to-day.

REGULATIONS ASSENTED TO BY HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA.

The Secretary reported that the following Bills have received the assent of His Highness the Maharaja.

1. The Travancore Ancient Monuments Preservation Bill.
2. The Travancore Rubber Control Bill.
3. The Travancore Agriculturists' Relief Bill.
4. The Travancore Life Assurance Companies Bill.

DEMANDS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): Sir, I rise to move for a supplementary grant not exceeding Rs. 10,000 for additional wards for the General Hospital, under the P. W. D. heading. Everybody must be aware of the fact that last year a large number of patients had to be accommodated on the floor of the wards and in the verandas and great inconvenience was experienced for want of accommodation. Additional accommodation is a dire necessity. It was therefore decided then to construct four new wards at an estimated cost of Rs. 25,670. But only a sum of Rs. 15,000 was provided for the work in the current year's budget. The construction of three out of

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